

BEFORE THE
OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE MATTER OF:
PARENTS ON BEHALF OF STUDENT,

v.

HERMOSA BEACH CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT.

OAH CASE NUMBER 2021090694

ORDER GRANTING MOTION TO AMEND COMPLAINT

JANUARY 13, 2022

On September 21, 2021, Parents on behalf of Student filed a Due Process Hearing Request, referred to as a complaint, with the Office of Administrative Hearings, naming Hermosa Beach City School District. The Office of Administrative Hearings is referred to as OAH. On January 6, 2022, Student filed a Motion to Amend the Due Process Hearing Request and an amended complaint. No opposition was received from Hermosa Beach.

An amended complaint may be filed when the other party consents in writing and is given the opportunity to resolve the complaint through a resolution session, or when the hearing officer grants permission. The hearing officer may grant permission at any time more than five days before the due process hearing. (20 U.S.C. §1415(c)(2)(E)(i).) The filing of an amended complaint restarts the applicable timelines for the due process hearing. (20 U.S.C. §1415(c)(2)(E)(ii).)

The motion to amend was filed more than five days prior to the due process hearing. Therefore, it is timely and is granted. The amended complaint shall be deemed filed on the date of this order. All applicable timelines shall be reset as of the date of this order. As OAH granted the parties' continuance request on October 21, 2021, so they could participate in mediation, which occurred on December 9, 2021, any subsequent continuance request must establish good cause by way of declaration.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

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Administrative Law Judge

Office of Administrative Hearings